

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Javier ALARCON, et al.
Appln. No.: 10/721,797
Confirmation No.: 4139
Filed: November 26, 2003
For: FIBER OPTIC DEVICE FOR SENSING ANALYTES

Docket No: P6013
Group Art Unit: 3768
Examiner: Etsub D. Berhanu

REPLY and AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.121

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of 8 September 2008, Applicants submit the following revised response to Office Action. This submission is identical to the response filed 15 August 2008, except that the status identifiers for claims 7 and 19 have been corrected.

Applicants assert that no extensions of time are required to maintain this application, beyond what may be submitted herewith. If, however, any extensions of time are necessary to avoid abandonment of this application, applicants hereby petition for such extensions and direct and authorize the USPTO to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.